

Cesar E. Chavez (1927-1993) is shown here joining farm workers as a sign of help. (California 1974) Quote: "We need to help students and parents cherish and preserve the ethnic and cultural diversity that nourishes and strengthens this community - and this nation."

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SITUATION SUMMARY

National News - Significant Events

Tornadoes strike Oklahoma as severe weather moves into South

(CBS) At least seven people were injured and authorities were evaluating the damage in northeastern Oklahoma after severe storms spawned multiple tornado touchdowns Wednesday night, authorities said. CBS Tulsa affiliate KOTV reported multiple tornadoes were spotted in Tulsa County, causing damage to buildings and trees. The station's helicopter captured images of a funnel cloud near Owasso and transformers sparking as the weather system passed over power lines. National Weather Service meteorologist Amy Jankowski said a tornado touched down and lifted up numerous times as it swept through the northern Tulsa and Owasso areas. The City of Tulsa said in a statement that several roads were closed and police and fire crews were canvassing the city. The Streets and Water Departments are assisting with road barricades and debris removal. Jankowski said the weather service received reports of lofted debris, trees down and some structural damage. Emergency Medical Services Authority, an ambulance service provider, tweeted Wednesday night that weather-related calls resulted in seven patients being transported to hospitals. It had initially said nine people were hurt. A man who huddled in his above-ground safe room with his family described the sound of the twister ripping off his home's roof as surreal. "It's always been someone else," the man told KOTV. "It's always been someone else.... We came out and it looked like a different world." One family told KOTV they were lucky not to have been hurt after a tree fell on their vehicle. Another family found a street sign in their yard that was uprooted from a mile away. Nearly nine million people in parts of Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Arkansas were in an enhanced area of risk Wednesday, putting them in the bull's-eye for some of the strongest storms, the national Storm Prediction Center said earlier Wednesday. The area of highest risk included the Dallas-Fort Worth metropolitan area. In Louisiana, the National Weather Service issued a flash-flood watch for northern parts of the state until 7 p.m. Thursday. Forecasters say multiple rounds of strong to severe thunderstorms will produce two to four inches of rain, and perhaps six inches in some parts of the state. "Heavy rain from waves of storms could renew flooding over north Louisiana," said Cynthia Palmer, a forecaster at the weather service's office in Shreveport, Louisiana. The ground remains saturated in that part of the state, which saw record flooding earlier this month, Palmer said. In northern Mississippi, forecasters said thunderstorms would bring rainfall amounts of two to four inches.

International News - Significant Events

Brazil: 'Lula' appointment before court; Rousseff impeachment risk grows

(CNN) Brazil's political crisis has spiraled closer to a tipping point, with the government appearing at risk of implosion months before the Rio Summer Olympics begin. President Dilma Rousseff's odds of being impeached appear stronger than ever now that the country's largest political party said it's pulling out of her coalition government, leaving the deeply unpopular leader politically isolated. On Wednesday, the Supreme Federal Court will reconvene and consider the pressing issue of whether to approve Rousseff's appointment of controversial former President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva to be her chief of staff. Regardless of which way the court rules, protests are likely to flare up. All this political turmoil comes as the world's attention focuses on Brazil over its handling of the Zika virus and the upcoming Summer Olympics in Rio de Janeiro -- and as the country struggles through its worst recession in decades. The country's largest political party announced Tuesday that it's leaving the President's coalition government, ordering its members, including six ministers in Rousseff's Cabinet, to resign from their positions. That means Rousseff probably won't have enough votes in the National Congress to avoid impeachment proceedings stemming from allegations that she tried to hide a budget shortfall ahead of elections in 2014. Why did the party leave? It is concentrating on "returning to its origins, finding its traditions and taking a position in favor of Brazil and the Brazilian people," said Sen. Romero Juca, the group's second in command. As well as facing political like teachers the group's proceedings, Rousseff

provoked public outrage this month by appointing Lula da Silva, her predecessor and a close political ally, to a Cabinet post as her chief of staff. The former leader, known widely as "Lula," is one of dozens of leading Brazilian political and business figures ensnared in a wide-ranging graft probe centered on state-run oil company Petrobras -- an operation known as "Car Wash." Rousseff said a desire to harness Lula da Silva's expertise was behind her decision to bring him into her Cabinet, but critics saw it as a ploy to shield him from prosecution.



SITUATION SUMMARY

Derailment, UPRR, City of Commerce, Los Angeles County

 On 03/31/2016 at 0108 hours the California State Warning Center (CSWC) was notified of a derailment from Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR). It is currently unknown how the railcar, #TTGX854090, derailed upright. No injuries reported and no hazmat release. All notifications made per SOP.

Derailment, UPRR, City of Industry, Los Angeles County

• On 03/30/2016 at 2324 hours the California State Warning Center (CSWC) was notified of a derailment from Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR). It is currently unknown how two locomotives, #UP4348 and #UP9907, derailed upright. No hazmat released and no injuries reported. All notifications made per SOP.

Weather of Concern

Northern California

· No weather of concern.

Southern California

Potential for coastal low clouds and fog developing each night through the weekend.

Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County:

http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa_bc_cal.php

Cal EOC Incident - 2014 Drought

SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought.



WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

Medford Weather:

With high pressure firmly in control, sunny and warm today with high temperatures in the lower to mid-70s over the west side valleys and in the low to mid-60s over the east side. Onshore flow will allow the low clouds/fog to return to the coast tonight, while inland areas remain clear and cool. The ridge aloft providing the dry weather will be right over us on Friday, expect another mostly sunny, warm afternoon with temperatures similar to or even a few degrees higher than today.

Eureka Weather:

A high pressure ridge across the region will bring dry weather through Friday. Inland temperatures will increase a few degrees the next few days as the high pressure ridge persists across the region. Patchy morning fog and stratus will likely develop near the coast each morning. Sunday night and Monday a weak weather system may produce some light rain.

Reno Weather:

Warmer, drier conditions are expected late this week and into the weekend with generally light winds. A weak system is possible early next week with a few showers and slightly cooler temperatures.

San Francisco Weather:

A warming trend heading into the weekend back to above normal temperatures under mostly clear skies. A weak trough may brush north of the bay area on Monday bringing a modest cooling trend. Latest indications are that all rain stays north of Sonoma. Long range forecast looks dry and seasonably warm.

Sacramento Weather:

Expect dry and warm weather with above normal temperatures through the end of the week. It will be a little cooler with a chance of light precipitation late Saturday through Monday over the northern mountains, with warming again next week.

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY:

Hanford Weather:

High pressure will build over the region through this weekend with a warming and drying trend.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

Los Angeles Weather:

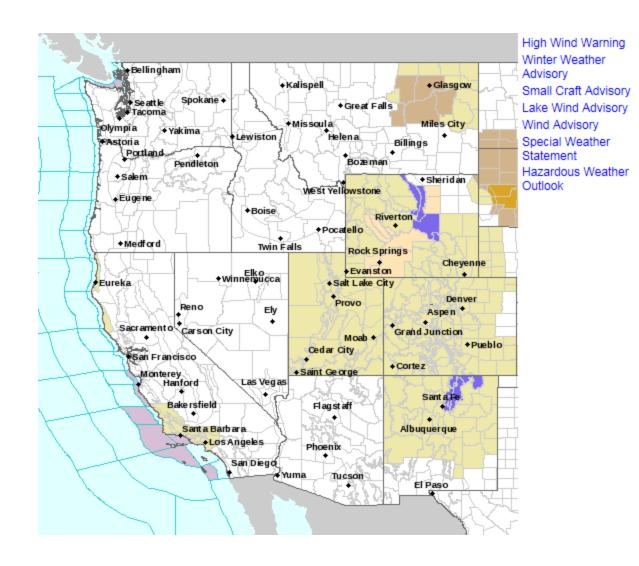
High pressure will build in over the region the next few days. This will cause temperatures to rise a few degrees and keep the forecast area dry through early next week. There will be periods of night through morning low clouds for coastal areas and possibly some valley locations into early next week. A slight cooling trend is possible early next week as another upper low moves towards the forecast area by mid-week.

Extreme Southwestern California including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties: Cool and drier today with locally breezy conditions. Coastal low clouds and fog will develop each night through the weekend. A building ridge of high pressure will bring gradual warming into the early to middle part of next week.

Southeast California Weather:

Drier conditions expected across much of the area today along with the start of a warming trend. There could still be a few light showers over portions of Lincoln and northeast Clark counties this afternoon, but overall activity will be much less than what was seen over the past couple of days. Dry weather along with additional warming will be seen through the weekend.

STATE WEATHER MAP



FIRE ACTIVITY

Preparedness Levels

National Preparedness Level 1

Northern California

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

Southern California

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php

NWS California River Forecast Center:

http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/



CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident - 2014 Drought

- The SOC is activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-26-14 on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages
 due to drought, specifically through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households
 without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-29-15 on 04/01/15 which announced actions that will save water, increase enforcement to prevent wasteful water use, streamline the state's drought response and invest in new technologies to make California more drought resilient.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate the Community Impacts Workgroup conference calls. Currently, the calls take place on alternating Wednesdays.
- Cal OES Recovery/Individual Assistance finalized an updated 2015 version of the drought brochure of programs and services for individuals, businesses, farmers, and ranchers. It has been put on the Governor's Drought webpage. State agencies may put the following link to the brochure on their webpage http://ca.gov/drought/pdf/Drought-Assistance-Brochure-2015.pdf
- Cal OES Regions (Inland, Coastal, Southern) collective OA drought call is facilitated by the SOC and will be held once per month.



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Local Emergency Proclamations:

A total of 61 local Emergency Proclamations have been received to date from city, county, and tribal governments, as well as special districts:

- 26 Counties: Butte, Colusa, Calaveras, El Dorado, Fresno, Glenn, Inyo, Kern, Kings, Lake, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Modoc, Plumas, San Bernardino, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Shasta, Siskiyou, Stanislaus, Sutter, Trinity, Tulare, Tuolumne, and Yuba.
- 13 Cities: City of Live Oak (Sutter County), City of Lodi (San Joaquin County), City of Manteca (San Joaquin County), City of Montague (Siskiyou County), City of Porterville (Tulare County), City of Portola (Plumas County), City of Ripon (San Joaquin County), City of San Juan Bautista (San Benito County), City of Santa Barbara (Santa Barbara County), City of Rancho Cucamonga (San Bernardino County) and City of West Sacramento (Yolo County), City of Willits (Mendocino County), and City of Fort Bragg (Mendocino County).
- 10 Tribes: Cortina Indian Rancheria (Colusa County), Hoopa Valley Tribe (Humboldt County), Karuk Tribe (Siskiyou/Humboldt Counties), Kashia Band of Pomo Indians of the Stewarts Point Rancheria (Sonoma County), Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians (Madera County) Sherwood Valley Pomo Indian Tribe (Mendocino County), Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation (Del Norte), Tule River Indian Tribe (Tulare County), Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation (Yolo County), and Yurok Tribe (Humboldt County).
- 12 Special Districts: Carpinteria Valley Water District (Santa Barbara County), Goleta Water District (Santa Barbara County),
 Groveland Community Services District (Tuolumne County), Lake Don Pedro Community Services District (Mariposa Stanislaus
 County), Mariposa Public Utility District (Mariposa County), Meiners Oaks Water District (Ventura County), Montecito Water
 District (Santa Barbara County), Mountain House Community Service District (San Joaquin County), Nevada Irrigation District
 (Nevada County), Placer County Water Agency (Placer County), Tuolumne Utilities District (Tuolumne County), and Twain Harte
 Community Services District (Tuolumne County).



Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.